ROOT I/O Performance and Parallelism

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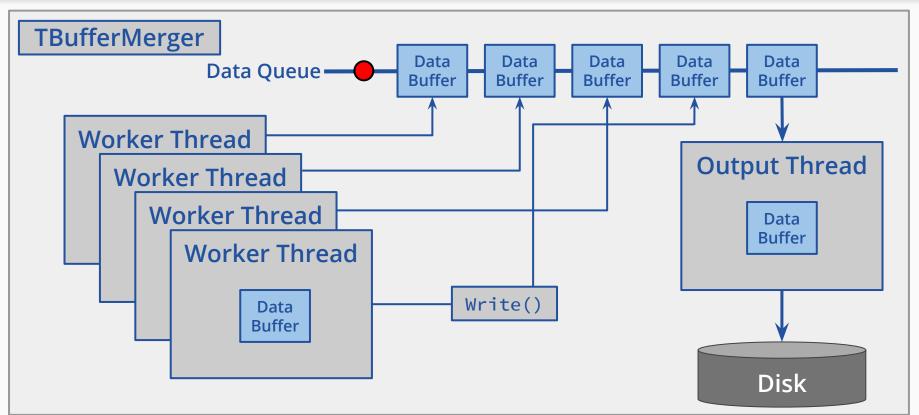


Updates coming with ROOT 6.12:

- ► TBufferMerger optimizations
- ► ROOT I/O performance improvements
 - Concurrency of ROOT I/O
 - Optimization of TTree::Fill()

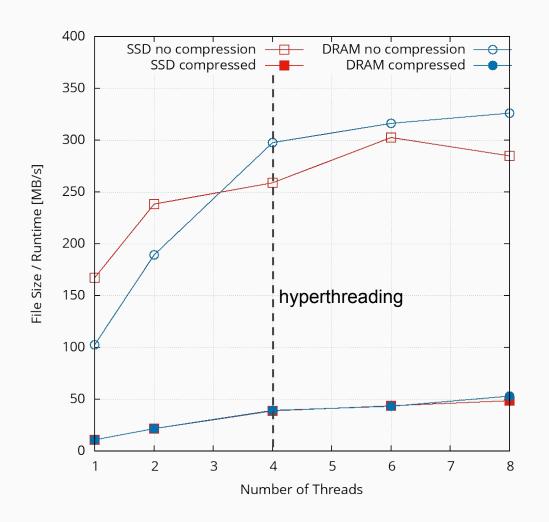


TBufferMerger Class



Benchmark: TBufferMerger with Random Data

- Fill a tree with one branch with random numbers
- Synthetic benchmark that exacerbates the role of I/O by doing only lighweight computations
- Create ~1GB of data and write out to different media (SSD and DRAM)
- Quad core laptop
 Intel® Core i7 4710HQ
 (2.5GHz, 6M cache)





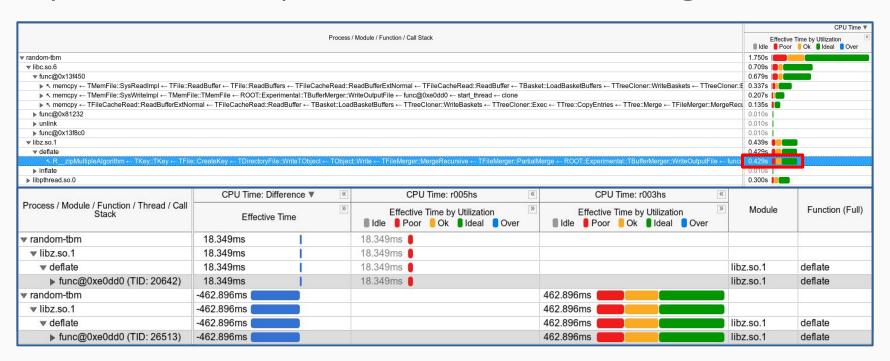
TBufferMerger Optimizations

- Output thread doing lots of work (compression)
 - Solution: add a setting for controlling auto-save point
 - Avoids creating too many TTree headers, which require compression
- Need a way to control queue size or rate-limit
 - Solution: add a non-blocking callback mechanism to TBufferMerger
 - Lets user decide when to create more data-producing tasks by registering a function that gets called everytime a buffer is removed from the merging queue
 - Add functions that lets user query the size of the queue
 - Auto-save forces flush to disk, which also avoids increases in memory



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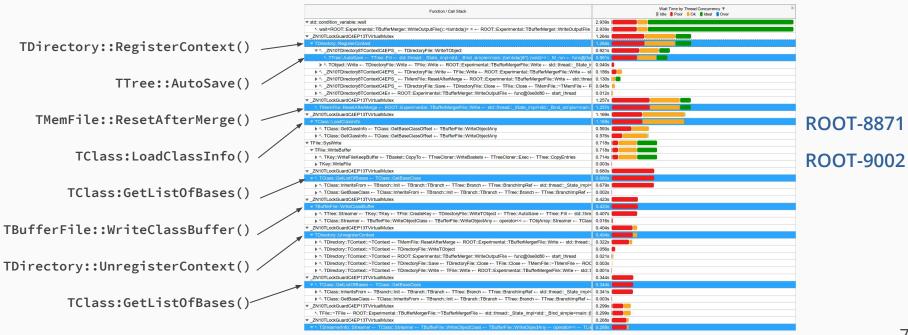
Output thread compression with small and large auto-save





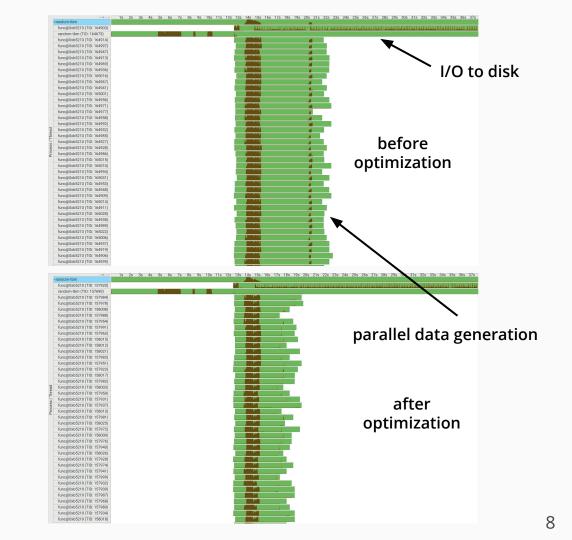
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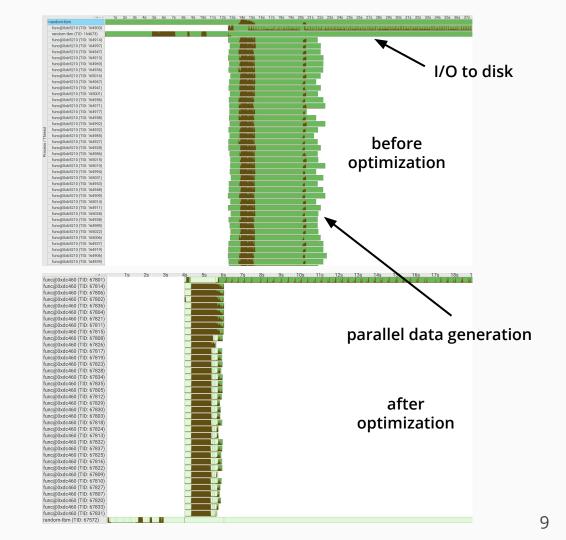
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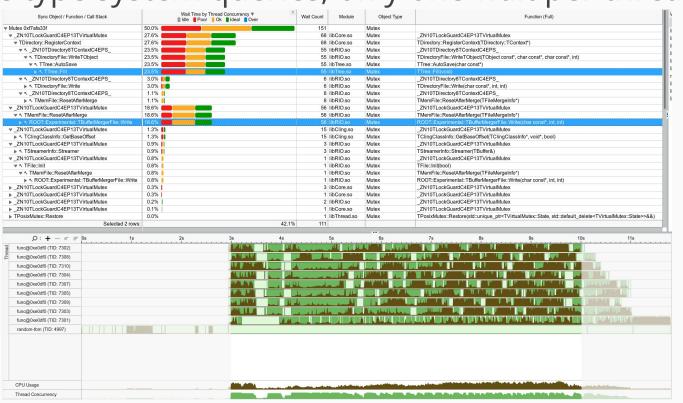
Targeting ROOT 6.12





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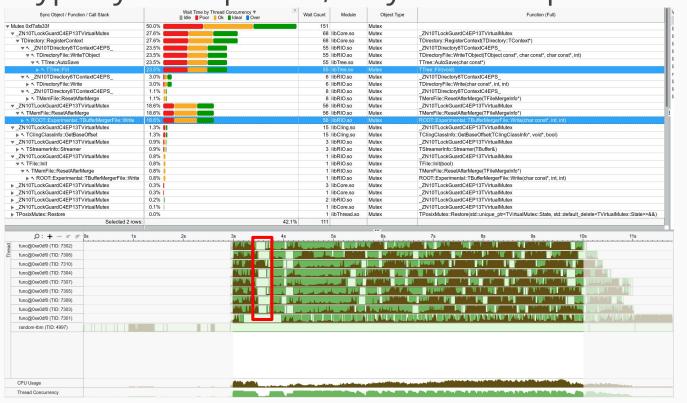
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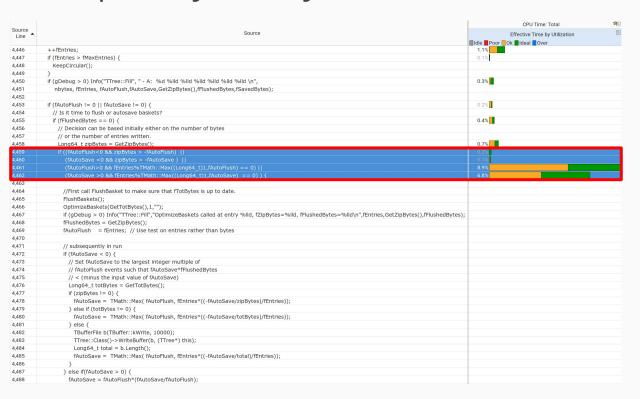
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Divisions take up many CPU cycles for useless work





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▼ libTree.so		5.378s	18.586s	13.208s			0.228	0.743	0.51
▶ TTree::Fill		5.978s	10.457s	4.479s			0.725	1.286	0.562
▶ std::unique_ptr <root::experimental::ttaskgroup, p="" std::default_delete<=""></root::experimental::ttaskgroup,>		0.073s	0.077s	0.004s			1.615	2.615	1.000
▶ TBranch::GetBasket		0.025s	1.293s 📳	1.268s			0.012	0.395	0.383
▶ TBufferFile::GetMapCount		0.007s	0.071s	0.064s			0.001	0.357	0.356
▶ TBuffer::Length		0.005s	0.016s	0.011s			0.398	0.621	0.222
▶ TBranch::GetFile		0.001s	0.002s	0.001s			0.000	0.000	
▶ TBuffer::Length		0.006s	0.017s	0.023s			-0.206	0.485	0.690
▶ TLeaf::GetLen		0.011s	0.211s	0.221s	I		0.007	0.382	0.375
▶ func@0x6d6a0		0.012s	0.067s	0.079s			-102.000		102.000
▶ func@0x6ad60		0.013s	0.008s	0.021s			0.220	0.462	0.24
▶ TBasket::Update		0.019s	0.129s	0.148s			0.059	0.475	0.416
▶ TBranch::UpdateAddress		0.019s	0.126s	0.145s			1.192	3.829	2.636
▶ TObjArray::GetEntriesFast		0.023s	0.069s	0.092s			13.333	44.000	30.667
▶ TFile::GetEND		0.032s	0.062s	0.094s			2.858	3.292	0.434
▶ TTree::GetZipBytes		0.054s	0.017s	0.071s			0.407	1.040	0.633
▶ TLeafD::FillBasket		0.071s	0.915s 📋	0.986s	0 1		-0.125	0.445	0.570
▶ TBranch::FillImpl		0.112s	3.257s	3.369s			-0.013	0.456	0.469
▶ TBranch::FillLeavesImpl		0.151s	1.090s 📋	1.241s	01		-0.049	0.405	0.454
▶ TBasket::Update		0.189s	0.703s 🚺	0.892s	01		0.525	1.344	0.819
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libz.so.1.2.11		0.005s	0.050s	0.045s			0.486	1.355	0.868
▶ libpthread-2.25.so		0s	0s	0s			-1.000	1.500	2.500
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▶ libThread.so		0.000s	0.003s	0.003s					
▶ libMathCore.so		0s		0s					
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Bottomline

- ROOT continues to parallelise its I/O subsystem
 - Focus not only on experiments' data processing, but also on analysis
- Parallel writing to single output file via TBufferMerger
 - Leveraged by TDataFrame already with snapshot action
 - Good performance, can saturate an SSD

Changes already in master for ROOT 6.12 release:

- Optimised TTree::Fill() function avoids divisions
- Optimised parallel merging with TBufferMerger
- Output thread no longer does excessive compression work
- Callback function allows seamless framework integration

